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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re Application of:

John Ernest SIMS

) Group Art Unit: 1646

Application No.: 09/612,921

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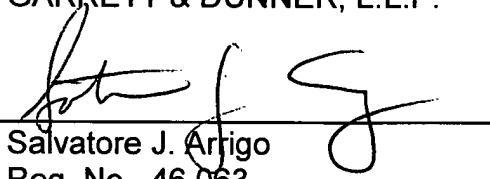
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